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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: PRG Meeting to Discuss the Persian Gulf, 25 July 1988

1. The purpose of this PRG meeting was to review the situation in the Gulf with particular attention to diplomatic and military activities pursuant to Iran's acceptance of Resolution 598.
2. I provided an intelligence briefing on the ground war, noting that Iraq was continuing its offensive military actions and continuing to occupy Iranian territory. Not much concern was expressed about Iraqi activities, but questions were raised about Iranian intentions with respect to an end to the war. I noted that the Intelligence Community believes that Iran's decision to accept Resolution 598 was serious and not merely a tactic to buy time, and that it is the Iraqis who will not agree to a ceasefire and continue to make demands and conditions.
3. There was discussion of the efforts at the UN to begin negotiations on the implementation of Resolution 598, including a ceasefire between Iran and Iraq. Concern was expressed that even before a ceasefire was reached that Allied navies would begin to withdraw from the Gulf. State and Defense noted that their principals would be sending letters to their European counterparts urging them to stay the course in the Gulf.
4. After a brief discussion by Commerce Department officials of several pending Iraqi requests for computer equipment and trucks, the decision was made to allow the material to be sent to Iraq.
5. The meeting concluded with a discussion of the political complexities of trying to get congressional approval for the sale of F-18 aircraft to Kuwait. All agreed that such would be difficult to accomplish.


Richard J. Kerr
Deputy Director for Intelligence




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SUBJECT: Policy Review Group Meeting (U)

The Policy Review Group Meeting on the Persian Gulf will be held
on Tuesday, July 26, 3:00-4:00 p.m., in the Situation Room. (S)

Robert M. Stevens
for Paul Schott Stevens
Executive Secretary

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- I. Introduction.....John Negroponte
(2 minutes)**
- II. Intelligence Update.....CIA
(5 minutes)**
- III. Diplomatic Strategy.....STATE
(20 minutes)**
- o Consultation with GCC States and Allies
 - o Implementation of UNSCR 598
 - o Relations With Iran and Iraq
- IV. Military Efforts.....DOD/JCS
(20 minutes)**
- o Review of ROE and Current U.S.
Military Posture
 - o Planning For Possible Future Drawdown
 - o U.S. Military Cooperation With GCC States
- V. Security Assistance.....STATE
(10 minutes)**
- o Kuwait F-18s
- VI. Summary.....John Negroponte
(3 minutes)**

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